SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 710

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A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Bob Cable upon being named the 2007 Elizabethton-Carter County Chamber of Commerce's Outstanding Citizen of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Bob Cable is one such admirable person, who was recently selected as the 2007 Elizabethton-Carter County Chamber of Commerce's Outstanding Citizen of the Year; and WHEREAS, evincing the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors, Bob

Cable is highly respected in his community for his exceptional volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, owner of Ledford's Upholstery, Mr. Cable is an active member of the Elizabethton Downtown Business Association, so active in fact that his store has been tabbed the "information center" of downtown; and

WHEREAS, he is known affectionately as the keeper of the big flag and dutifully demonstrates his love of his country and his city by regularly mending the large American flag that graces the western entrance to Elizabethton; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, he rejuvenated the Fourth of July Parade, which had been dormant for more than twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, Bob Cable works assiduously to help organize the Christmas parade every year, which is a monumental feat considering the annual parade represents the single largest assemblage of Elizabethton citizens at any single place; and

WHEREAS, he has contributed his time and talents to the Holiday Lighting Committee for many years, and during the Christmas season, he regularly rises before dawn and travels throughout the city to discover and report any lighting outages; and

WHEREAS, working in conjunction with the Elizabethton Electric Department, Mr. Cable was instrumental in obtaining the funding to place lights atop Lynn Mountain; he also assists with the annual lighting of the city's 100-year-old Fraser Fir, which kicks off the celebratory festivities of the Christmas season; and

WHEREAS, the many commitments to his community aside, Mr. Cable enjoys the loving companionship of his wife, Brenda, who is no doubt proud of his accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Bob Cable has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to his community; and

WHEREAS, his remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense, as well as his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cable is an extremely giving person who reaches out with compassion to all people, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Bob Cable is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we commend Mr. Bob Cable for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Elizabethton and Carter County, congratulate him upon being named as the Elizabethton-Carter County Chamber of Commerce's Outstanding Citizen of the Year for 2007, and salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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